appropriate allocation for the Ninth Five Year Plan are under preliminary stages.

Anomaly in the Duty Structure of DAMN and 2 Cynopyrazine

*387. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of anomaly in the duty structure of DAMN vis-a-vis Cynopyrazine, both intermediates used for the manufacture of pyrazinamide an anti-T.B. drug;

(b) if so, at which level the decision was taken and justification/rationale for the same;

(c) the reaction of Government to the report appearing in the Financial Express (Madras edition) of 29th November, 1995, on the subject matter and action taken on the observations/points, made therein; and

(d) the details of action taken on various representations received in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) and (b) There is no anomaly as such in the Duty structure of DAMN vis-a-vis 2-Cynopyrazine. The differential duty structure is in accordance with the principle of graded Duty structure and the policy of the Govt. followed since considerable time.

(c) and (d) The report and the representations received in this regard have been examined and decision has been taken on merits to maintain the graded duty structure.

Inadequate Veterinary Arrangement for Treatment of Cattle

*388. DR. BAPU KALDATE Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is no proper veterinary arrangement for the treatment of cattle in the country as a result of which a large number of cattle die every year;

(b) whether Government have formulated any scheme to avoid the loss of the livestock;

(c) if so, the salient features thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI BALRAM JAKHAR): (a) No, Sir. The Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Services is a State subject. The State Governments under the Directorate of Animal Husbandry/Veterinary Services undertake monitoring, disease diagnosis and control of diseases.

(b) to (d) The Government of India is supplementing the efforts of State Governments in controlling certain specific diseases like foot and mouth, rinderpest, tuberculosis, brucellosis etc. In addition, the States are also being supported for strengthening disease diagnostic facilities and biological production units. Two Centrally sponsored Schemes covering these aspects are under implementation, namely, Assistance to States for control of Animal Diseases and National Project on Rinderpest Eradication.

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